are in position, leaving 2 vacancies. Creation of 9 new posts has also been agreed to. Some proposals for making appointments against these vacancies have been received. However, it is not possible to indicate the time by when these would be filled up.

पाकिस्तान द्वारा सैनिक तैयारी किये जाने के प्रति विरोध प्रकट किया जाना

312. **श्री राम चन्द्र विकल :** क्या विदेश मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या भारत सरकार ने सियाचिन और भारत सरकार पाक सीमा पर पाकिस्तान की सैनिक तैयारियों के प्रति पाकिस्तान सरकार से विरोध प्रकट किया है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो किस रूप में और उसका क्या परिणाम रहा है ?

विदेश मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री के० नटवर सिंह) : (क) और (ख) सरकार ने सियाचिन क्षेत्र में पाकिस्तान के सैनिक जमाव के बारे में पाकिस्तान की सरकार को 1987 में सचेत कर दिया था । दुर्भाग्यवश हमारी चेतावनी पर ध्यान नहीं दिया गया।

Issue of passports by Ahmedabad Regional Passport Office

313. SHRI VITHALBHAI MOTIRAM PATEL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of applications for issuing passports are pending at Ahmedabad Regional Passport Office;

(b) what is the number of passports issued by Ahmedabad Regional Passport Office till date; and

(c) how many passports have been issued in the last three years, year-wise in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) 11,565 applications for issue of Passports were pending in the Passport Office, Ahmedabad as on 31-1-1988.

(b) From 1.1.1988 to 16-2-1988, 6,815 Passports were issued.

(c) The total number of passports issued by Passport Office in the country during last three years are:

1985: 10,84,923

1986: 11,97,745

1987: 10,29,795

Six-national summit at Stockholm

314. SHRI KALPNATH RAI:

SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the subjects discussed at the six-nation summit held at Stockholm recently; and

(b) the decisions taken at the summit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) The Six Nation Summit at Stockholm discussed the possibilities of achieving a nuclear-weapons-free world following the signing of the historic INF Treaty between the Super Powers and other important disarmament questions such as prevention of an arms race in Outer Space, banning of chemical weapons and halt to all nuclear testing pending the conclusion of a Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty.

(b)The Summit adopted the Stockholm Declaration which calls *inter alia* for a nuclear-weapon — free and non-violent world. A report titled "Monitored Nuclear Explosions in 1987" prepared under the aegis of the Six Nation Initiative was also released